

HUNTINGTON CREEK DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM ANNUAL MEETING

MARCH 5, 2002

The annual meeting of the Huntington Creek Distribution System was called to order by Chairman Hal Guymon at 11:32 a.m. Chairman Guymon asked Mr. Kay Jensen to read the minutes of the 2001 meeting. A motion was made by Eugene Johansen and seconded by Darce Guymon, by, to accept the minutes as read. The motion passed.

Chairman Guymon then requested that Mr. Lee Sim review the 2001 Financial Statement. Mr. Sim indicated that as of January 1, 2001, there was \$6,710.28 in the Trust Account. Receipts for the year totaled \$16,660.16, which included \$16,377.00 in regular assessments, \$0.00 in delinquent penalties, and \$306.22 in interest. Expenditures totaled \$16,088.18. There was a balance of \$7,280.26 in the Trust Account on December 31, 2001. Mr. Lee Sim also presented the new procedure regarding delinquent assessment payments. The Division of Water Right will send a letter out requesting payment of the account after two years of delinquency. If after two weeks the account is not paid a Cease and Desist letter will be sent to the delinquent water user, the river commissioner will be instructed to lock the headgate to the delinquent account, and a memo will be placed on the water right file. Vernell Rowley made a motion to accept the Financial Statement. The motion was seconded by Lee McElprang, and the motion passed.

The next item of business to come before the water users was the Commissioner's Report which was given by Mr. Kay Jensen. He indicated that 2001 was a poor water year. The allocation of water in the Huntington-Cleveland Irrigation Company was only 0.20 AF/share rather than 0.33 AF. The gate on Cleveland Reservoir was closed October 31, 2001, with 400 acre-feet remaining in reservoir. Huntington Reservoir had carry over of 324 acre-feet of water on October 31, 2001. It was again a bad year for beaver dams. Three dams were removed on the system. Cleveland feeder canal was backed up an additional 150 feet from the 2000 beaver dam. Downstream from the Marshall Bridge at the head of the Cleveland Canal the beaver dam was so large a track hoe was needed to remove it. Cold temperatures caused the canals to freeze. The ice at the head gates needed to be chipped and salted regularly. The ice made winter water delivery difficult. A motion was made by Eugene Johansen, and seconded by Vernell Rowley, to accept the Commissioner's Report. The vote was unanimous.

It should be noted that as of the date of this meeting, the Mammoth-Cottonwood Snotel site recorded 55% of average. The Red Pine station registered 57%, and Seely Creek 49%. The March 1, 2001 stream flow forecast was available when the minutes were prepared, and the estimated flow of Huntington Creek is 29,000 acre-feet, which is 58% of the 30-year average.

With the unexpected passing of Commissioner Varden Willson, Chairman Guymon indicated that the recommendation of a commissioner for 2002 was the next item of business. Dennis Ward made a motion to wait on the recommendation and appointment of a new Commissioner until all applications could be reviewed, and to notify the State Engineer of the appointment by letter. Lee McElprang seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

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Chairman Guymon indicated that the next item of business was the preparation of a budget for 2002. Mr. Lee Sim announced that the Division of Water Rights would add an item to future budgets to help defray its expenses in accounting for and administering the funds to pay the Commissioner's salary and the Distribution System expenses. This additional item is in response to the current state budget shortfall, and the budget cuts imposed on the Division. The calculated expense of this item to the Division is equal to 7.5% of the total budgets for all the distribution systems in the state. The implementation of the State Engineer's assessment will begin in 2002 and will take place over a period of three years. The assessment for the first year will be 2.5%, the assessment for the second year will be 5.0%, and the assessment for the third and succeeding years will be 7.5%. Mr. Sim stated that this item will be evaluated at the end of the fiscal year, in June, and will only be applied if the budget for the Division is in the red. After a brief discussion of the new item, Lee McElprang made a motion to wait on the budget until the new Commissioner was appointed, and to notify the State Engineer of the 2002 budget by letter. The motion was seconded by Ted Curtis, and all present voted in the affirmative.

The appointment of a committee to serve during 2002 was the next item of business. Kay Jensen moved to retain the existing committee, with the exception of Varden Willson, but including Hal Guymon, to serve the Huntington Creek Distribution System. Dennis Ward seconded the motion. The motion passed. As a result, the following will serve:

Hal Guymon	Chairman
Darce Guymon	Vice Chairman
To Be Decided	Secretary
Eugene Johansen	Committee Member
Vernell Rowley	Committee Member

Mr. Kay Jensen discussed the upcoming meetings with the Division of Oil, Gas & Mining to discuss mine plans and water issues. Eugene Johansen indicated that he would like to hear from the new State Engineer on his views concerning mine water discharge and possible interference issues. The Company indicated that they would be happy to include the Johansens in their project.

All present expressed their sorrow at the passing of Commissioner Varden Willson. Varden served the system well, and was a friend who will be dearly missed. The State Engineer's office has sent their condolences to Mrs. Lucille Willson. Lucille did a wonderful job compiling the Commissioner's Report for the distribution meeting.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:39 p.m.

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Those present at the meeting included the following:

Hal Guymon	Huntington River
Jay Mark Humphrey	Emery Water Conservancy District
Vernell Rowley	Huntington City
Eugene Johansen	Emery Water Conservancy District
Craig Johansen	Lower Water Users
Jack Stoyanoff	North Emery Water Users
Darce Guymon	PacifiCorp - Huntington Plant
Kay Jensen	Huntington/Cleveland Irrigation Company
Lee McElprang	Huntington/Cleveland Irrigation Company
Mar U. Grange	Huntington City
Kyle Singleton	PacifiCorp - Hunter Plant
Dennis Ward	Huntington/Cleveland Irrigation Company
Ted Curtis	Huntington/Cleveland Irrigation Company
Gertrudys Adkins	Division of Water Rights - SLC
Lee Sim	Division of Water Rights - SLC
Casey Ford	Division of Water Rights - Price